



NEWS RELEASE

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United States Attorney Deborah R. Gilg and the FBI, Lincoln Police Department and the Lancaster County Sheriff's Department announce the following information for the attention of the media:

Event Triggering this Release:

Senior United States District Judge Warren Urbom, today sentenced Traves Rush to 14 years incarceration for his role in the October 6, 2008, robbery of the TierOne Bank in the Edgewood shopping center in Lincoln. Rush was convicted by a jury on May 10, 2010, following a week long trial. The evidence at trial showed that Rush, Curtis Cotton and Marcus Short entered the bank, Cotton carrying a claw hammer, and robbed the bank of \$2,090.47. Cotton previously pled guilty, agreed to cooperate, and was earlier sentenced to five years incarceration. Short previously pled guilty and was sentenced to five years, ten months incarceration. All three were ordered to pay restitution and to serve three years of supervised release upon their release from prison.

Name of Defendant: Traves Rush

AKA: N/A

Age: 27

City of residence: Omaha

Crime(s) Charged and Potential Penalty (A CHARGE is merely an accusation and every defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty): Bank Robbery, maximum penalty 20 years incarceration, \$250,000.00 fine.

Specific Location of Alleged Crime: Lincoln, Nebraska

Location of Arrest: Lincoln, Nebraska

Alleged Dollar Loss: \$2,090.47

Others Charged in Same Scheme: Curtis Cotton, Marcus Short

Relevant Dates:

Date of Alleged Crime: October 6, 2008

Federal Arrest Date: November 23, 2009

Date Complaint Issued: N/A

Indictment Returned Date: October 21, 2009

Initial Appearance Date: November 23, 2009

Plea or Trial and Date(s): Trial - May 3 - 10, 2010

Sentencing Date: August 18, 2010

Next Court Hearing Type and Date: N/A

Assigned Magistrate Judge: Zwart

Held without Bond, or Released from Custody: Held without bond

In Continuous Custody Since: November 23, 2009

Assigned District Court Judge: Warren Urbom

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